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RESPONSE TO APRIL 9, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

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REMARKS

Election/Restrictions:

The examining attorney has asserted the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention, setting forth multiple species for the container, the identifier label, and the base fluid.

While Applicant disagrees with the examiner's view of the species, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the following species as required: Container - Species B, figure 2; Identifier Label - species b; and Base Fluid - Species I, adhesive.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As noted by the examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant would be entitled to consideration of claims to